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PARTY AND GOVERNMENT LEADERS IN THE NEWS

BERIYA HONORED -- Pravda, No 88, 29 Mar 49

By order of the Presidium of the Supreme Soviet USSR, Lavrentiy Pavlovich Beriya, Deputy Chairman, Soviet of Ministers USSR, has been awarded the Order of Lenin on the occasion of his 50th birthday and as a reward for his long service to the Communist Party and the Soviet people. The order, dated 29 March 1949, was signed by N. Shvernik, Chairman, Presidium of Supreme Soviet USSR, and A. Gorkin, Secretary, Presidium of Supreme Soviet USSR.

KHABAROVSK PARTY LEADERS CHANGED -- Molodoy Dal'nevostochnik, No 38, 3 Mar 49

Aleksandr Pavlovich Yefimov has been elected first secretary of the Khabarovsk kray and city committees, succeeding R.K. Nazarov, who has been ordered to take further study.

The Fourth Plenum of the Khabarovsk Kray Committee VEP(b) held 1 March, released Nazarov from his duties as first secretary of the kray committee and elected Yefimov first secretary and member of the bureau of the committee. The Seventh Plenum of the Khabarovsk City Committee VKP(b), released Nazarov from his duties as first secretary of the city committee and elected Yefimov in his place.

Yefimov, born in 1905 of a poor peasant family in Kubino-Ozerskiy Rayon, Vologda Oblast, worked in agriculture and industry until 1925 when he entered a workers' school (rabfak). After completing the school, he was sent to the North as an agitator-propagandist of the Takhmenenskiy Rayon Committee VEP(b). In 1929, the Party ordered him to train in the Moscow Steel Institute imeni Stalin, which training he completed successfully in 1934. Yefimov worked in the Gor'kiy Metallurgical Plant until 1938, starting as a metallurgical engineer and ending as director of the plant.

In 1938, he was elected chairman of the Executive Committee of the Gor'kiy City Soviet of Workers' Deputies, later secretary of the Gor'kiy City Committee VKP(b), and finally chairman of the Executive Committee of the Gor'kiy Oblast

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Soviet of Workers' Deputies. In 1944, he became first secretary of the Irkutsk Oblast Committee VKP(b). Yefimov is a deputy to the Supreme Soviet USSR, was a member of the VLKSM from 1922, and has been a member of the VKP(b) since 1927.

**MINISTRY WORKERS RECEIVE AWARDS -- Izvestiya, No 72, 27 Mar 49**

By order of the Presidium of the Supreme Soviet USSR, the following workers of the Ministry of Internal Affairs USSR, Ministry of State Security USSR, and Ministry of Finance USSR have been honored for exemplary execution of their duties:

**Awarded Order of Lenin:**

Baulin, Nikolay Yakovlevich, Colonel  
 Gusev, Sergey Ivanovich  
 Dmitriyev, Nikolay Afanasyevich, Captain of the Intendant Service  
 Medvedev, Andrey Antonovich, Captain  
 Reginatsky, Onisim Yevseyevitch, Lieutenant-Colonel  
 Svinarskiy, Vasiliy Alekseyevich, Lieutenant Colonel  
 Spiridonov, Nikolay Kirillovich, General-leytenant  
 Turok, Izra'il Isaakovich

**Awarded Order of the Labor Red Banner:**

Dementyev, Aleksey Alikseyevich, Captain  
 Yel'kin, Pavel Alekseyevich, Major  
 Ishchenko, Sergey Mirofanovich, Major  
 Kolotushkin, Aleksandr Ivanovich, Major  
 Marenkov, Yevgeniy Aleksandrovich  
 Nikitin, Petr Avvakumovich, Lieutenant Colonel  
 Sadovnikov, Nikolay Ivanovich, Captain  
 Smirnov, Artemiy Vladimirovich  
 Sokolov, Dmitriy Nikitich, Captain of the Intendant Service  
 Sosulin, Georgiy Ivanovich, Major of the Intendant Service  
 Fedin, Nikolay Petrovich, Senior Lieutenant of the Intendant Service  
 Chernov, Sergey Nikolayevich, Major  
 Shemarykin, Petr Sergeyevich, Captain  
 Shuniz, Ivan Mikhaylovich, Major

**NEW LITHUANIAN MINISTER APPOINTED -- Sovetskaya Litva, No 47, 26 Feb 49**

Nikolay Dmitriyevich Gorlinasik was appointed Minister of State Security Lithuanian SSR, by ukase of the Presidium of the Supreme Soviet Lithuania SSR, dated 25 February 1949. The ukase was signed by Yu. Paletskis, Chairman, Presidium of the Supreme Soviet Lithuania SSR, and S. Pupyskis, Secretary, Presidium of the Supreme Soviet Lithuania SSR.

Dmitriy Ardalionovich Yefimov has been relieved of his duties as Minister of State Security Lithuania SSR, due to illness.

**RADULOV APPOINTED ESTONIAN MINISTER -- Sovetskaya Estoniya, No 46, 25 Feb 49**

Ievgeniy Radulov has been appointed Minister of Shale and Chemical Industry Estonian SSR, by ukase of the Presidium of the Supreme Soviet Estonia SSR, dated 25 February 1949. The ukase was signed by Ed. Pyall', Chairman, Presidium of the Supreme Soviet Estonia SSR, and V. Telling, Secretary, Presidium of the Supreme Soviet Estonia SSR.

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**V. I. SOLOV'YEV DIES -- Pravda, No 79, 20 Mar 49**

Vladimir Ivanovich Solov'yev, director of a division of the Heavy Industry Section of the Tsk VKP(b), died 19 March 1949.

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